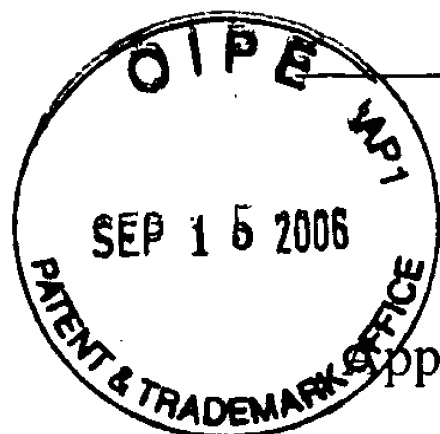


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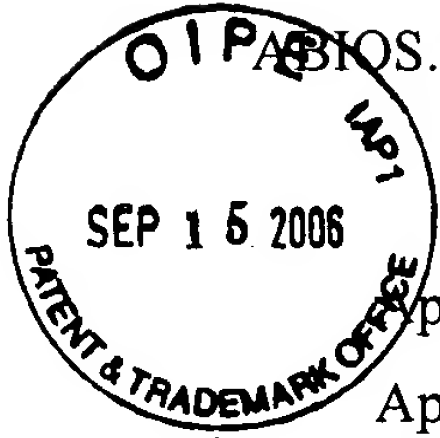
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on July 19, 2006, Applicants request that the above-captioned application be amended as described below. Because the present amendments are merely clarifying and place the application in condition for allowance, Applicants request their entry.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.